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BAR HILL RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

Each month we will be introducing you to a different member of our Residents Association, so you can learn more about the people who are working on your behalf in the village.

This month, we are featuring the Bar Hill News's Feature Editor Lottie Beare;

How long have you been a member of the RA?

I officially joined in October 2020 – so not that long!

What made you join?

I joined briefly when I initially moved to the village, but found it difficult to commit with a new baby. I always knew I wanted to return when I was able to get into the swing of things!

I am really passionate about the community and wanting to bring a smile to peoples' faces, so I thought working with Andy on the Bar Hill News to bring new monthly features was the right thing for me.

How long have you lived in Bar Hill, and what is your favourite thing about living in the village?

We moved here 3 and a half years ago, and I honestly love that I know who my neighbours are. We have never lived anywhere where we knew the people around us! I also love how the village is so safe for kids to get around – particularly with a head strong toddler who wants to go her own way. Not having to go on paths with cars around all the time is great, and not a common feature for a village!

If you could change one thing about the village what would it be?

I would love to improve the park for the children – I think the pandemic has reiterated how important outdoor spaces and play areas are for children of all ages, and it would be great if we could improve ours.

What are your hobbies?

Sometimes I think cleaning my house on my own without my toddler to "help" is a hobby! But seriously, I really love seeing friends, reading, binge watching a great TV show, Jazzercise, knitting and going to the theatre (when we were allowed to!). There are so many more but I don't think Andy would appreciate having to edit them all down!

What's your favourite way to spend your day off?

I can't lie – I love having a lay in when my husband also has a day off! But otherwise, if my toddler is at nursery then any and all of the above, but if it's the weekend and she's at home – just spending time together as a family and watching her grow is always fun.

If you won the lottery tomorrow, what would be the first thing you would do?

Pay off the mortgage, and go on holiday – when we can!

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The intention is to post updates, where times change, to the Bar Hill Community Facebook group (via the Residents Association).

Bar Hill Community Market

We hope that you are all staying as safe as you can at this time and wish you a healthy 2021.

Just to let you know that at the moment we are not able to have our community market which we are missing greatly as a way to come together and a way to raise funds for our village. We have over this last year donated money to the Covid 19 Scheme which, has been doing a fantastic job of supporting people here in our village, also the Church.

We will as soon as we can safely have a market but await the time when we can all be safe.

Please be assured that we will have a community market up and running again as soon as we can do this safely!

Hope to see you all as soon as we can in 2021.

Karen and Adrienne

NOTICES & LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Please send your letters & notices to **bhneditor@yahoo.com** before the deadline of 6pm on the 15th of each month. Thank you!

Dear Bar Hillians,

What a wonderful community you are!

The Department for Transport [DfT] has now discontinued its recent use of the Bar Hill hotel as an isolation location for hauliers. The national scheme is continuing but the demand locally has fallen away so that it makes sense for DfT to cease this use of the hotel. Any HGV driver testing positive in the future will be sent to an alternative hotel.

I am left wondering how many other communities responded in the way that residents of Bar Hill did when this use started. Nobody could fail to be impressed by the actions of the community in ensuring that the drivers felt welcomed to the village. Working with the hotel and council officers you pulled together at a difficult time to make an extremely sensitive situation work well. I'd like to thank all of you, the residents of Bar Hill and the hotel staff for the support you have shown to the lorry drivers while they self-isolated, many of them far away from home and family.

As lockdown continues we are all desperate for the time when we can be free of the restrictions that currently govern our lives and that time will come but meanwhile we must all continue to follow the lockdown rules, stay safe and help protect our families, communities and the NHS.

Thank you again and please take care and stay safe.

Lynda Harford
County Councillor, Bar Hill Division
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Dear Editor,

The Fete and Festival regret to announce that we cannot hold a fete this year due to ongoing Covid restrictions.

We will however begin planning for 2022 soon.

If you would like to join the committee or volunteer to help on the day please email sarah.whitfield8@googlemail.com

Sarah Whitfield, Bar Hill FnF

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Editorial

March 2021

Welcome to our first printed edition of the year! It's good to be back in print and able to reach out to everyone. While we have done digital-only issues when printing/ delivery hasn't been possible they aren't the same. Still if you'd like to catch up all the old issues are available in the Bar Hill News archive; **archive.org/details/bar-hill-news.**

As you'll see from our front cover, this month is the month the once-a-decade Census takes place across the UK. The date of the census will be the 21st and, unlike previous years, this time the focus will be in completing the census online with the paper copies being a backup for people who can't do the online version. Help will be available! More details are available on the census 2021 website; **census.gov.uk**

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In the coming months, as more and more of us get vaccinated and society begins to open up if you're part of a club or society and would like to provide an article for this magazine please get in touch! Don't worry about formatting, layout - you just need to provide the basic text and we'll work on everything else for you.

A big thank you again for all the additional articles for this month! Liz Dams for a wildlife update, and Paul for an update from the Cricket club.

And, while we (digitally!) did it last month, I'd like to again say a big thank you to Alice Webb for her many years of service as a deliverer within our village (this time in print!). Alice is retiring from her role after more than 15 years with us! We really appreciate all of her efforts over the years,

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Like many teams and societies, Bar Hill Cricket Club is waiting and hoping for news, rather than planning the year ahead with any certainty.

We have received fixtures for the Saturday league teams – we are running two this year and matches are due to begin in early May.

The first XI will face Cambourne III, Cambridge St Giles III, Cam Kerala, Comberton, Harlton, Longstowe, Madingley II, Milton II and NCI III in CCA Division 3 West.

The second team play Cambourne IV, Cam Kerala III, Elsworth, NCI IV, Sawston & Babraham IV and Stapleford in Division 5 West.

At present, we do not know whether the Midweek League team will be running and we will make a decision nearer the start of the season.

It is also not yet known whether the Cambridgeshire Youth Cricket Association will be running any leagues. We intend to run youth training sessions from mid-April if restrictions allow, though again the final decision will be made in the spring.

If you are interested in playing cricket – whatever your age, gender or ability, we hope we will be able to provide something for you this summer!

For more news, keep an eye on **www.barhillcricket.org.uk** or our Facebook page.

For any information, you can contact me on the number below or via info@barhillcricket.org.uk

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Why not come and join our Club for some fun tennis!

We are planning that this year's AGM will, unless Government guidance changes, be a virtual one at 7.30pm Wednesday 10th March. Anyone interested in tennis or wants to know more about the Club is invited to attend – if you are interested please contact Paul Chubbuck (details below).

Just a reminder for all current members that your membership is due for renewal on 1st April and as usual the court access lock will be changed. For renewal and new membership details please visit our web site.

We invite all current, lapsed and new members to come along and play on the courts. Please encourage your family, neighbours and friends to come down to our Club social nights to play some tennis. We welcome players of all abilities. Tennis is an excellent way to keep fit and enjoy the summer evenings in a relaxed and friendly environment.

Our Adult Club nights are Tuesdays & Thursdays 6.30 to 9pm and Club nights start Tuesday 13th April 2021. We look forward to seeing you!

CONTACT:

Paul Chubbuck (Secretary) 01954 781688, Mobile 07983 435104

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Bar Hill Primary School

Academy Council Vacancy

Bar Hill Primary School is looking to recruit a new Trust appointed member to our Academy Council.

Academy Councils are Committees of the Trust Board of Cambridge Meridian Academies Trust. The powers of the Academy Councils are delegated to them by the Trust Board to help the Board fulfil its three core functions:

- Ensure clarity of vision, ethos and strategic direction;
- Hold executive leaders to account for the educational performance of the organisation and its pupils, and the effective and efficient performance management of staff; and
- Oversee the financial performance of the organisation and making sure its money is well spent.

Bar Hill Primary School Academy Council focuses on monitoring standards and achievement and how the academy meets the local community's needs and aspirations. The Academy Council supports and challenges the school leaders to:

1. Develop strategic priorities and plans for the individual academy with the senior leaders and trust leaders
2. Ensure that students achieve at least the expected levels of progress and achievement.
3. Monitor standards within the academy
4. Ensure trust policies are implemented and monitor their impact
5. Engage with all stakeholders to improve outcomes for students
6. Ensure that Quality Assurance procedures within the academy are accurate and moderated.
7. Monitor the use of Pupil Premium funds and ensure student outcomes improve
8. Evaluate Student attendance, admissions, exclusion, well-being, preparation for their futures and views by analysing a range of data; and take action to ensure the academy fulfils CMAT's objects

Academy Councils play a key strategic role and are not involved in the day to day operation of the school. Academy Council Members contribute with their experience and the wide range of skills they have. The role is voluntary, the commitment is attending six meetings a year, reading in advance of the meetings, and participating in ongoing training and development. Members will also be expected to take on a Champion role in a key area which would necessitate structured visits to the school two to three times a year.

Academy Council Members do not need to be experts to tackle the range of responsibilities expected of them. Help, advice and training are available.

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Sun 7 March - Holy Communion

Sun 14 March Mothering Sunday - All Together Worship

Sun 21 March - Holy Communion

Sun 28 March - Palm Sunday - Service of the Word

All the Sunday service start at 10:00 am using Zoom, details below:

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Church Contacts

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Minister	Rev Charles Mather	01954 277119
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In the meantime STAY SAFE!

Few jokes (hope no one is offended)

- Day 121 at home and the dog is looking at me like, "See? This is why I chew the furniture!"
- Nail salons, hair salons, waxing centres and tanning places are closed. It's about to get ugly out there!
- The World Health Organisation announced that dogs cannot contract Covid-19. Dogs previously held in quarantine can now be released. To be clear, WHO let the dogs out"
- What's the best way to avoid touching your face? A glass of wine in each hand!
- "In Germany they are preparing for the crisis by stocking up with sausage and cheese. That's the Wurst Käse scenario."

Anne Plumb, **01954 780364**

BAR HILL ROSARY GROUP

Dear All,

Rosary Group meetings have to be postponed until further notice. Nevertheless, this particular uncertain time might be a convenient moment for you to develop more personal relationship with Jesus and Virgin Mary to find peace of heart. We may help you by giving away rosary beads with instruction how to start praying. Whenever you are new to rosary or not we encourage finding time for a faithful reflection. Please text your address to Agnes (074 3255 0621) and the free kit will be delivered to your door (in Bar Hill). God bless you!

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If you see any hedgehogs out during the day, they will need immediate veterinary treatment. Many will be seriously dehydrated and will need fluids given intravenously to survive.

Please contact me , Liz Dams for any help or advice on **07912 988898** or Shepreth Hedgehog Hospital on **07505 651968**. Out of Hours Emergency line **07771 457693**.

Hedghog Fact

Groundhog Day is a day celebrated in Pennsylvania in America. However the day actually originated in Germany, and it was German settlers in Pennsylvania who on February 2, 1887 continued the tradition, although they switched from hedgehogs to groundhogs, which were plentiful in the Keystone State. When the day moved to America it was renamed Groundhog Day because hedgehogs are not native anywhere in the States.

The day has its roots in the ancient Christian tradition Candlemas, when clergy would bless and distribute candles needed for winter. The candles represented how long and cold the winter would be.

Germans expanded on this concept by selecting an animal - the hedgehog - as a means of predicting weather. According to tradition, if a hedgehog comes out on this day and sees its shadow , it gets scared and runs back into its nest , predicting six more weeks of winter weather ; no shadow means an early spring.

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Dear John ...

Have you got a dilemma you need some help with? Perhaps you find yourself in a hopeless situation and you need someone to help point you in the right direction. Well look no further because The Bar Hill News has taken on it's very first 'agony aunt' in our newest monthly feature "Dear John...".

Meet John - everyone's favourite postman, we all know and love him, and he is here to help you! He has no experience in advice giving, but makes up for it with his enthusiasm.

So for a chance to have your problems answered by John, email us at **bhneditor@yahoo.com** by the 10th of March.

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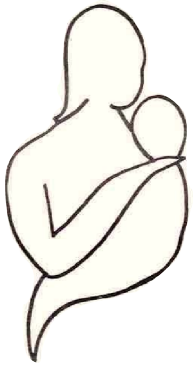

The Friends of the Rosie are enthusiastic volunteers whose aim is to improve the services the hospital provides by raising money for items that the NHS does not buy.

Our sales through Rosie in Stitches this year have already reached £200. We are selling new items on our rosieinstitches.org.uk website and facebook marketplaces and second hand items in our rosieinstitches2010 charity store on eBay.

If you have been tidying another cupboard, we are still welcoming donations of craft materials.

We need to find alternative storage space for the items we have for sale. If you have a garage or a shed that you are not making full use of would you consider letting it out to our charity.

The Rosie Hospital are still not able to accept donations of knitwear at this time. As soon as we hear that they are in need of items, this information will be shared on our facebook page.

We are still unable to run our Friends of the Rosie tea bar in Clinic 21 due to Covid19. We are unable to say when our tea bar will be able to open again as most of our volunteers are of retirement age or older. We will provide you with regular updates when we know more. We would be able to open sooner if our volunteers were younger. We also need more volunteers. If you know of anyone who might be interested. Please contact Ann Laskey (annlaskey@icloud.com) for more details of what would be involved.

New members are always welcome, whether to contribute financially, to join our team of knitters, provide transport for our volunteers, display a small selection of our wares or to help on the Rosie tea bar. Contact Mary Sanders on 01223 356615 further details are given on our website **www.rosieinstitches.org.uk**.

All the very best for 2021.

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Over Surgery Update

Here at the surgery, we have been busy rising to the challenges of a global pandemic.

Contacting us is different at the moment. This limits face-to-face contact whenever possible to stop the spread of the virus.

Your GP practice is open; if you need to be seen call 01954 231550 or visit our website.

You can also call NHS 111. Please do not come to the surgery unless you have an appointment.

Appointments are being delivered face-to-face, online and over the telephone. If you are asked to come into the surgery for a face-to-face appointment, please remember to wear a face covering. Measures are in place to keep you safe from infection during your visit to the surgery.

For the latest NHS information and advice on coronavirus or to book a test visit **https://www.nhs.uk/conditions/coronavirus-covid-19/**

Covid Vaccinations…

GP practices in Over, Swavesey, Willingham, Histon, Bar Hill, Milton, Cottenham and Waterbeach have been working very hard to deliver Covid-19 vaccinations to local residents. We started on 18th January 2021 with our over 80-year-old patients, this roll out is the biggest vaccination programme in NHS history.

Practices across these villages are now swiftly working their way through the priority groups of patients to receive the Covid-19 vaccine as quickly and safely as we can in line with government guidance.

The surgeries involved in the programme are:

- Cottenham Surgery, Cottenham,
- Firs House Medical Partnership- Histon and Cottenham
- Maple Surgery, Bar Hill
- Milton Surgery, Milton
- Over Surgery, Over
- Swavesey Surgery, Swavesey
- Waterbeach Surgery, Waterbeach
- Willingham Medical Practice, Willingham

Eligible patients will be contacted direct to book an appointment. There are two dedicated vaccination hubs in Over and Milton which means some patients will have to visit a different practice to their usual one to receive their vaccination. Full details will be given to patients when contacted.

Dr Simon Poole and Dr Craig Needs, Clinical Directors of Cambridge Northern Villages PCN said, “As local GPs we are so proud of the huge effort made by everyone involved to support the biggest national immunisation campaign in history. Everyone at the GP practices involved has had a part to play, and we simply could not have done it without such a fantastic team effort.

“Protecting our most vulnerable local residents against Covid-19 is so important to us all and we encourage local residents to take this opportunity up when they’re contacted.

“Please do not call the GP practice to book, we will contact you. When you attend your appointment, you will need to follow social distancing guidance, bring and wear a face masks or visor, and follow hand hygiene guidance. These steps help to save lives.”

Second Dose: The information we have is that the second dose will be around the 11th /12th week and you will be contacted in the same way as you were for the first dose.

More information about the Covid-19 vaccination in Cambridgeshire and Peterborough is available at **https://www.cambridgeshireandpeterboroughccg.nhs.uk/news-and-events/latest-news/covid-19-national-vaccination-programme/**

The Cambridge North Villagers PCN would like to thank the two Community Centre Trustees and Staff for the support with set up and running of the programme and allowing us to use the sites as vaccine hubs. We would also like to thank the huge number of volunteers that have come forward to provide services to the centres, we have been overwhelmed with offers – Thank you.

For further updates from the surgery please like our Facebook page by searching for Over Surgery & Pharmacy.

A brief history of Shepreth Wildlife Park

Shepreth Wildlife Park first started as a private sanctuary in 1979, when a young injured jackdaw was homed and rehabilitated. 'Jack' soon recovered and become one of the family. Others followed Jack, and those that could not be released back into the wild lived out their life in the sanctuary. Eventually it was opened up to the public in 1984 and, back then, known as Willers Mill Wild Animal Sanctuary.

Today, Shepreth Wildlife Park is still passionate about conservation and raising awareness and funds for wildlife worldwide. Alongside the charity, Shepreth Wildlife Park has donated over £200,000 to conservation projects around the world and participates in international breeding programmes for endangered species.

The Park had managed a hedgehog re-habilitation for the past 35 years but the project had outgrown its facilities and was in desperate need of expansion and new funds. The Shepreth Wildlife Conservation Charity (SWCC) was then founded to develop the existing Hedgehog Hospital. It was also set up to grow the wider conservation activities, raising greater funds and building more awareness of endangered species – to help save the world's wildlife. After all, this is our planet, so it's our responsibility to look after it and all the species we share it with.

SWCC continues to enjoy close links with Shepreth Wildlife Park and makes use of the Park in the charity's fundraising activities.

SHEPRETH WILDLIFE PARK

Wildlife Gardening in March

With the bulbs now shooting out of the ground and the birds singing for longer.

It's easy to think spring is here. March is still a difficult time for our garden wildlife. We will still have temperatures falling well below zero at night, so invertebrates like earthworms, beetles and caterpillars are still going to need shelter.

Natural food sources will be scarce , so don't stop feeding the birds. High energy foods such as peanuts ,nyjer seed and sunflower hearts will help our adult birds keep healthy and well fed , helping them to cope with the demanding job of nest building and feeding young. It's important to make sure peanuts are inside wire mesh containers to ensure these are not fed to chicks whole. Please also provide fresh water every day.

We can help provide nesting material by leaving the moss on our lawn. Dead stems on old plants will be a great help to our very busy birds. Bird food suppliers also sell special nesting material that you can leave out. It's a great feeling to know we are contributing in helping our birds survive in these very challenging times.

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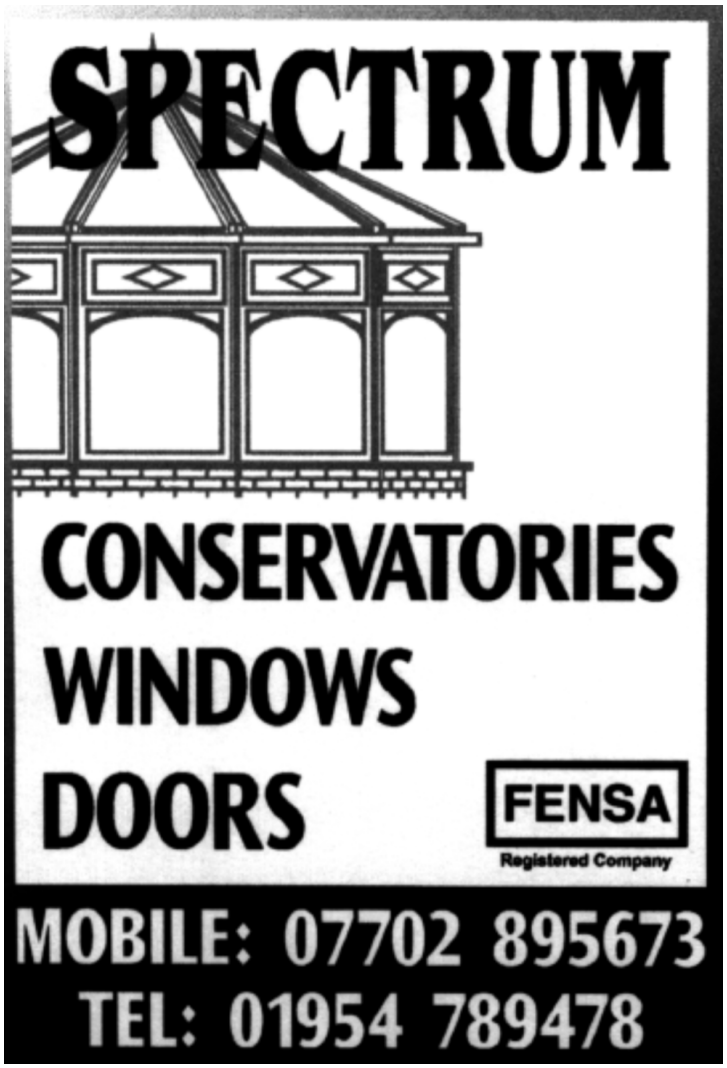

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The Council is pleased to welcome a new Clerk, Jennie, who joins on 1 March 2021. We hope you will make her welcome.

The new grass cutting contract starts on 1 March, or as soon as possible thereafter, depending on weather. Please help by ensuring vehicles are not left close to amenity areas/utility strips/verges, causing obstruction for access by mowers or potential for damage by grass cuttings and debris, otherwise the contractor will have to leave these areas uncut.

All tree and hedge works have been completed until next Autumn.

Arboriculture advisers will be undertaking a thorough assessment of trees on Parish Council land in April and a three-year management plan will evolve for implementation and budget control by the Environment and Amenities Committee.

Householders are asked to monitor and deal with overhanging vegetation – trees, shrubs, brambles, weeds etc within their boundary or along the fence edge to keep it cut back clear of public footways so as not to cause a nuisance or obstruction.

Would people discarding Tesco trolleys on village footpaths, amenity spaces, the stream area and carparks please kindly return them to Tesco premises. Please could we also ask that people use the bins for disposal of used personal protective equipment such as face-masks, disposable gloves etc, instead of throwing down in carparks and streets.

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BAR HILL WARD - DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORT

We are all continuing through another challenging and for many a sad year and I send my condolences and prayers to all who have lost a loved one. Bar Hill residents have shown such generosity and kindness to others, even those they don't know, the Covid19 Support Scheme and the Covid19 help for the HGV drivers has and continues to be something this village can be proud of.

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The Council has funded the Community Chest scheme since 2011, handing out more than £550,000 in grants to local good causes in that time. As a rolling scheme, there is money available every year for non-profit groups in South Cambridgeshire to fund projects that benefit the district's residents. The deadline to apply for funding for the current year (April 2020 to March 2021) is 31 March 2021, and there is £40,000 still available to eligible groups, which could receive up to £1,000 per project. Even if you don't currently have a group established, it is possible for the funding to be used to cover set up costs for new groups – from training to insurance, and licences to equipment. So if there is a need that you have identified in your community that you would like to meet and would be able to if you had some funding, please contact our team for guidance or apply online before the deadline. Established groups can also apply for funding, as long as you haven't already received Community Chest funding in the current year. The funding could be used for improvements or repairs to community buildings, to install a local monument, or to provide equipment for sports clubs or community groups, for example. Find more information or apply online. mouse-pointer
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Our Annual Exhibition has been an established event for many years. It is an important opportunity for club members to demonstrate our photographic vision and skills to the public. Unfortunately we could not hold the 2020 exhibition last April because of the Covid lockdown. Given the continuing uncertainty over public gatherings as we move towards spring, we have decided that we will be holding our 2021 Photographic Exhibition online. Participation by all club members is encouraged and we will have a diverse and fascinating display of digital photographs, AV presentations and images that have scored highly in competition in club and external competitions. The exhibition will commence on Saturday 10th April 2021 and will run for 2 weeks.

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We are hoping to move house imminently, please keep an eye on our Facebook and Instagram pages @PureBrilliantGreen for updates or email us at **purebrilliantgreen@outlook.com** before you visit us.

We are still operating a click and collect service during lockdown to prevent people visiting at the same time or entering the shop. Please contact us to arrange a convenient time to pop by, or drop your bottles on our doorstep and we will refill them and return them to your doorstep.

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Birthday Corner

1st - 6th March

Happy birthday to Jo Hall who will be turning 77, Eliana Creber who is celebrating her 8th birthday and Raimonda Pangoniene who will be 35 all this week!

7th - 14th March

Happy birthday to Leanne Dickinson who will be turning 38, along with Debbie Foster, Sheila Sell and Andy Smith who will all be celebrating this week.

15th - 21st March

Ava Chapman will be celebrating her 5th birthday and Tracy Swanson who is also celebrating her birthday this week – happy birthday!

22nd - 28th March

Happy birthday to Trisha Panting (AKA Nanny P) who is celebrating her 60th birthday this week! And a happy birthday to Samuel Wright who will be turning 8 this week.

Happy birthday to all those who are celebrating this month from the Bar Hill News! Remember, if you or a loved one is celebrating a birthday in April, email us at bhneditor@yahoo.com to be featured in next months' Birthday Corner.

Anthony Browne MP

Keeping in touch with South Cambridgeshire

News and Updates from our Local South Cambridgeshire MP can be either found on his website;

https://www.anthonybrowne.org

You can also sign up to an email newsletter which ensures that News and Updates are delivered straight to your inbox.

Alternatively you can follow Anthony on Facebook; **https://www.facebook.com/anthonybrowneMP/**, or. Via Twitter; **https://twitter.com/ab4scambs**

You can write to Anthony at his constituency office; Broadway House, 149-151 St Neots Road, Hardwick CB23 7QJ. Or call to discuss anything **01223 603677**

New! Under 6 Team

Bar Hill Colts are launching a new Under 6 football team and would like to invite children in Year 1 to take part!

- Is your son or daughter interested in playing football?
- Would they like to have fun and be part of an all inclusive team?
- Would they like to receive quality coaching, befitting a Charter Standard Community Club?

We want to hear from you!

Training sessions take place on Sunday mornings at 10am on the village green or the astro pitch.

To register your interest or for further information please contact Kate Starling by email:

kate.starling@hotmail.co.uk

Bar Hill Pre-School

We have been steadily welcoming the children back since the beginning of the New Year. There are many COVID hygiene procedures in place to keep both children and staff safe. These include very regular hand washing practices, children bringing in their own lunch and snack, children sitting at the same table to eat and dividing the children into smaller groups for activities. We wear PPE equipment when changing nappies, practice social distancing within the preschool and wear masks at the gate. The children say goodbye and hello to their parent/ carer at the gate and the children have adapted to this new routine extremely well.

During this 3rd lockdown we have continued to support both the children at the setting and the ones who stayed at home by giving them home learning activities based on the activities we were doing in the setting. But at Bar Hill Preschool we know every child is unique and different so their learning is adapted to their strengths, abilities and their educational needs and understanding.

This half term we have looked at the different animals you find in winter/ snowy weather, what makes ice and why it melts, colour mixing using the snow and food colouring. The children extended the activity by adding natural found items in the garden and items from the mud kitchen.

We have taken the children on walks outside of the Preschool setting. They loved taking turns on the sledge in the snow. They were taken on sensory walks and walks to look at numbers, shapes and see the seasonal changes. We have just celebrated Chinese New Year with a variety of craft and role play activities and Pancake day.

Interested in finding out more and booking a place for your child? Contact enquiries@barhillpreschool.co.uk or call 01954 782892 Children are offered places from the age of two years old. We are open 9am-3pm in term time.

Willingham Medical Practice
Help us help you – busy service

All NHS services are under severe pressure at the moment, as we look after increasing numbers of patients who are sick with covid-19 in the community, and other deteriorating conditions too.

We are also delivering the huge and vitally important covid-19 vaccination programme. Please do not contact us regarding a vaccine, we will contact you.

If you have an issue that is not urgent, you may to wait longer than usual until your problem or concern can be dealt with. You may be asked to rebook at a later date, or at a safer time (e.g. attending for a non-urgent blood test).

Do please make sure that you continue to get in touch with us if you need to. This is particularly important if:

- your problem is genuinely urgent
- you have a long term condition that is getting worse
- you are worried about symptoms that might indicate cancer

Please also remember you can call NHS 111 for urgent concerns, and 999 for serious emergencies. Your local pharmacist can also help with minor complaints too.

For adults with mental health problems including depression and anxiety, you can refer yourself directly to the local wellbeing service, via 0300 300 0055.

If you're experiencing a mental health crisis, call the First Response Service by calling 111 and select option 2 (in Wisbech call 111, select option 1 and ask to be put through to the First Response Service).

The Cambridgeshire County Council has a range of support and information to help in times of urgent need: telephone 0345 045 5202 8am-6pm weekdays 9am-1pm Saturdays. Outside office hours if someone is in danger telephone 01733 234724. In an emergency, call 999. Also see www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/adults.

Thank you very much for helping us all manage under these very difficult circumstances.

Magpas Donations

In the absence of the Lucky Squares raffle last Christmas, the practice requested donations to Magpas Air Ambulance. We are delighted to announce we raised £100.50 via our 'just giving' page. Thank you to all those that donated. Let's hope Lucky Squares will return in Christmas 2021!

Carers Meeting

Due to the pandemic, the carer's meetings are still currently postponed until further notice. They will be reinstated as soon as it is safe to do so. In the meantime, we would like to continue to support carers in our local community in any way possible. If you are a carer for someone and need advice and financial or emotional support, please contact Sue Lawson at susan.lawson7@nhs.net or 01954 260230.

Lisa Smith –Assistant Practice Manager– March 2021

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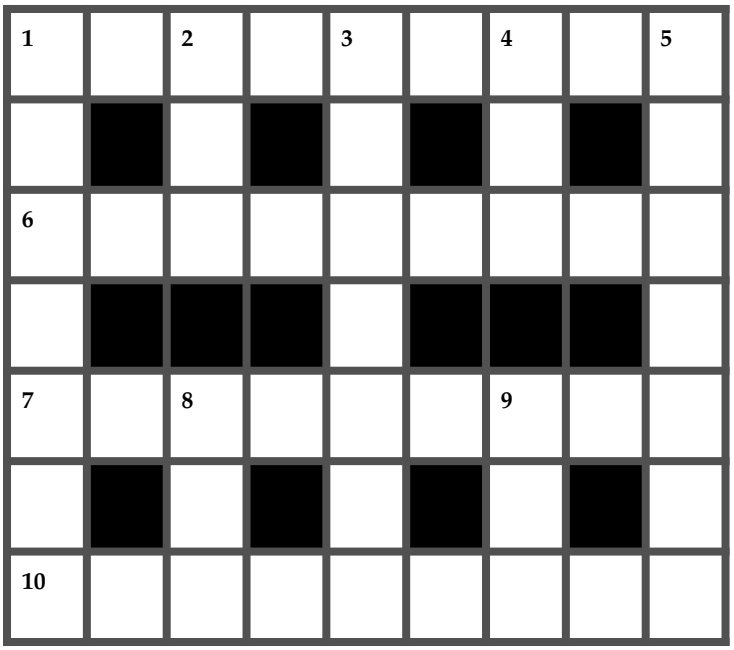

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February/March Crossword

Across-1.cultivated dianthus. 6.beautiful production. 7.sea loch opp Soyea Island. 10.lysimachia

Down---1.primula veris. 2.short for rural (or a Belgian River). 3.poisonous winter plant. 4.lyricist Gershwin. 5.not artificial. 8.local river 9. the forefront

Puzzle solutions will be published on the 25th of the Month on the Bar Hill Residents Association Facebook Page (or can be obtained by emailing the editor)